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Mayoral rivals launch first assaults of election campaign

LET BATTLE COMMENCE

THE decorations have come down and the gloves have come off. In the first clash of the 2014 Tower Hamlets mayoral election campaign, Labour's John Biggs has accused independent incumbent Lutfur Rahman of stashing taxpayer's money for a re-election blitz.

Mr Rahman denied the claim, attacking his rival for his "sinister" take on "bake sales".

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Feeling flush as a cold front nears

merica may be experiencing a cold front, but over here I've got a cold bottom. What is it with restaurants and bars that don't heat their toilets?

There you are, enjoying a lovely warm meal, in a lovely warm restaurant, when you pop for a pee and tragedy strikes – hypothermia.

Am I spoilt by the largely clement, climate-controlled Wharf? Perhaps. But a radiator-free bathroom is the least inviting place in the world. Three words. Ice cold seat.

It's distressing to disrobe in a glacial lav. I've watched *Call The Midwife* – I know El4 used to be

BLONDE'S EYE VIEW



covered in poverty-ridden tenements devoid of electricity and heating, but I don't need to channel it.

When I go for dinner and I visit the powder room I want organic soap, and luxury moisturiser, and those neatly folded flannels you dry your hands on. A comfortable toilette experience. And there's nothing more comfortable than an ambient temperature.

It's called a restroom, because it should be restful. I don't want a numb bum, frozen fanny or a frostbitten bottom. I have to take layers off in here, guys. It's January: I have to take a lot of layers off.

Why neglect to heat the smallest room of the establishment? Does it stop people loitering in the loos?

I must admit on occasion I've eschewed reapplying my lippy because it was just too nippy. Is it a cunning anti-drugs policy?

No-one will hang around long enough to take anything dodgy if they can't stop their teeth chattering.

Problem is, no-one will hang around long enough to order food and drink either. To quote George Michael's infamous toilet based music video – let's go outside.

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London eye



Actors Gemma Arterton and James Garnon perform in John Webster's *The Duchess Of Malfi* at the new Sam Wanamaker Playhouse at the Globe Theatre. The theatre is lit entirely by candles, transporting audiences back 400 years to the kind of performances seen on winter nights in Shakespeare's time.

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 Jon Massey

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Around east London Oxbridge joy for new free school **NEWHAM** Six students at a free school in Stratford have been offered places at Oxford or Cambridge University, rivalling the offer levels of fee-paying

The London Academy of Excellence in Stratford opened 16 months ago with the high profile backing of Eton and the City of London and with an ambition to improve social mobility. Headteacher Robert Wilne said: "I am delighted that 15 LAE sixth formers were invited for interview at Oxford and Cambridge and that six have

Work begins on

hotel at The O2

GREENWICH A two-year construction plan to create a hotel at The O2 has begun.

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Artists bring flair (and a chainsaw) to block party



Ice sculpting challenge tests creative ingenuity of carvers to melting point

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weekend of wintertime sunshine set the backdrop for sculptors braving freezing fingers to transform chunks of ice into delicately shimmering designs at Wood Wharf.

Themes of Fabulous Fashion and River Life ensured the stage was set for this year's London Ice Sculpting Festival – the sixth of its kind to be

held in the capital – over the weekend.

The competitive action started during the Friday lunchtime rush, with Wharfers flocking to see pairs from 10 countries carve out depictions of river life from a single, one-metre ice block, followed up by a freestyle challenge and the start of the Fabulous Fashion task, completed on Sunday.

Ice Festival judge Peter Harris told The Wharf he was on the hunt for creations that showed an interpretation of the theme, technical aspects of the piece as well as strong creativity

and "something that's really off the wall".

The Spanish team's of Bruno Fleurit and Max Rutgers' representation of a seal ticked all the boxes to scoop the top prize, beating newcomers Kerslake and Anne-Marie Taberdo's entry, The Internal Whirlpool, for Britain.

Mike said: "We are the British team, we are a young team, so we wanted to play and try something we wouldn't normally try.

"It's something a bit more abstract and we wanted a really beautiful shape rather than a conventional one. We wanted to do it backwards. So we took the block, sliced it in half, carved the shape in the inside and put the two pieces back together."

Despite missing out on the River Life prize, the GB design proved the most popular with the home crowd, picking up the Public Choice award.

Africa's Steve Armance and Mario Amegee proved they were ice-cool in the style stakes, winning the Fabulous Fashion prize in the two-metre big block competition while American Burr "Buddy"





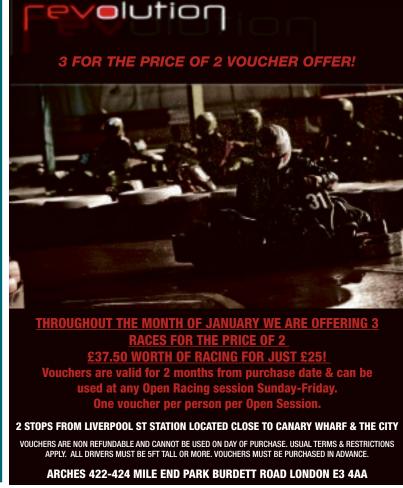
Rasmussen showed his creative flair with a winning Tiger entry in the freestyle challenge.

Mother and son Marilyn and Joe Piper enjoyed the icy activities on the festival's opening day, and particularly admired the GB single block entry.

Jo, who works as a doctor, said: "We are really enjoying it. It's perfect for its location and the sculptures go so

well with the water in the background and the sun."

Carol Cordrey, organiser of the festival, sponsored by Canary Wharf Group, said: "Seeing so many people captivated by the ice sculpting and relishing the opportunities to interact with the sculptors was hugely satisfying.'





Suzanne's Shaw-footed



SINGER-turned-celebrity skater Suzanne Shaw added a splash of pink to Ice Rink Canary Wharf last week.

The champion of ITV's third series of *Dancing On Ice* showed off some fancy footwork as she filmed promotional shots for the programme's latest coverage.

Suzanne is again appearing in the latest edition of the popular show, which brings back former winners and participants for a further stint on the ice.

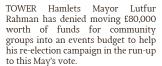
And her practice on the Wharf proved useful as on Sunday's show her routine with skate partner, Matt Evers, topped the leaderboard.



Cake sales, 'secret funds' and feuding

POLITICS

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The allegations were raised at a council Overview and Scrutiny Committee meeting last week, which has asked for assurances from the Mayor he would not use the cash to fund activities before the election.

Labour's candidate for Mayor of Tower Hamlets, John Biggs, said the decision to use the Community Chest fund for "community events" before the end of the financial year came in a closed door session last month.

He said: "It looks again as if Lutfur Rahman is trying to use taxpayers' money to buy votes rather than to help vital voluntary sector organisations strengthen themselves and improve services for local people.

"I know he's invented a new political party but funding a series of parties to help his election is improper."

THE BATTLEFIELD



John Biggs, left, and Lutfur Rahman

Labour's spokesman for resources Cllr Carlo Gibbs said: "Scarce council resources should be directed towards organisations that really need it. Yet time and again we have seen Lutfur Rahman using taxpayers' money for his own political advantage.

"We are deeply concerned that instead of funding worthy causes like welfare advice centres, Rahman has decided to put all this money into a pre-election events fund."

A spokesman for the Mayor's Office denied any wrongdoing. He said: "The Community Events Fund pre-dates the mayoralty and the money is for local people to bid for and spend on small events.

"Only John Biggs could find something sinister about summer fetes and bake sales."

Commission says voting in borough is 'vulnerable'

POLITICIANS have reiterated calls for a clampdown on electoral fraud in Tower Hamlets after the Electoral Commission included it in a list of shame this week.

The borough was one of 16 UK areas, and the only in the capital, cited as "vulnerable" by the watchdog, which urged the council to bring measures in. These included voters needing to show ID at polling stations and restricting campaigners' access to postal votes.

Conservative leader Cllr Peter Golds said: "It cannot be sensible that it is easier to vote than join a library, as is the case at the moment.

"I welcome the proposals to restrict candidates and campaigners handling postal votes. This has been another source of allegations in Tower Hamlets, and the potential for abuse understandably concerns the public."

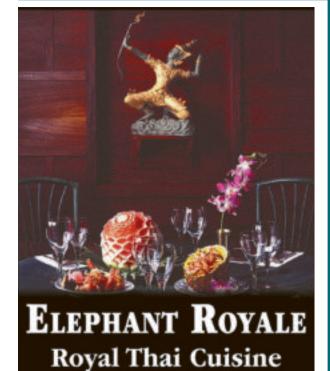
However, he said the recommendations did not go far enough to preventing electoral fraud in the borough and called for tougher action from the police.

"If we are to have faith that May's election results are fair, that has to change. Now is the time for the Metropolitan Police to commit to follow up election fraud allegations and, where there is evidence, prosecute."

The council said while it welcomed the commission's report, most of the recommendations had already been implemented.

It said: "The Electoral Commission has previously confirmed that our activities exceed current practices in the vast majority of other London boroughs and we were found to be above standard in a report published by the Commission in May 2013."

The Electoral Commission wants its recommendations in place by 2015.



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■ The coming months could see a political bloodbath in Tower Hamlets as we build up to the Mayoral election.

■ On May 22, voters will head to the poll booths to choose who will take the £65,000-a-year job of controlling the borough's estimated budget of £1billion.

Rewind back to October 2010 and independent candidate Lutfur Rahman took the seat after winning over 50 per cent of the vote, more than double the percentage of Labour's Helal Abbas, capping off a disastrous campaign for the party.

■ Rahman is all set to stand again – although an official announcement has yet to be made – and Labour is keen not to repeat the mistakes of four years ago.

It was back in April last year
John Biggs was given the task of
becoming the first Labour politician
to take the top job at Tower Hamlets.

■ The Conservative Party, meanwhile, is currently drawing up its final shortlist for who will stand in the election. It's planning on holding a meeting in he next few weeks when a vote will be held to decide on its candidate.

Diges

TV Larry becomes first Angel of restoration

GREENWICH Actor Larry Lamb embraced a new role on a recent visit to Greenwich, becoming the first Angel of the Old Royal Naval College (ORNC).

The former EastEnders star joined forces



with its chief executive Brendan McCarthy to launch the attraction's new fundraising programme and friends . scheme

ORNC Angels memberships – which offer access to exclusive events - will provide funding

for conservation projects including the current restoration of the site's 72 Victorian lanterns and future work on the Victorian skittle alley and Jacobean undercroft. Go to ornc.org/angels.

9/11 work showcased in study of conflict and art

TOWER HAMLETS Artwork created by a man who witnessed the destruction caused by 9/11 is being showcased at the Imperial War Museum North (IWM).

East Londoner John Timberlake conceived

Another Country XV at a studio in Lower Manhattan in 2001, after beginning his sequence of wartime-influenced work in

Talking of his piece within the Catalyst: Contemporary Art And War exhibition in

Manchester, John said: "Another Country XV dealt with a perverse nostalgia for the Cold War threat, but it felt that the context for the depiction of war and conflict had changed.'



LONDON A Greenwich University student died while trying to take photos of a recent storm, it is believed.

Harry Martin, 18, who recently began a film and TV production course was last seen on

January 2 before he headed to a coastal path near his Devon His body was recovered from

> the sea on Sunday morning. The Rev Anne Legge of

St Peter's Revelstoke, said: "Harry's family remain very

grateful to everyone who has searched and especially to those who went out and contributed to the discovery of Harry's body.'

Friends took to social media sites to pay tribute to the student.



Police are looking for this man

Search for man who groped DLR woman

CANARY WHARF Police are hunting a man who groped a woman at the Wharf's DLR station.

Officers have released images of someone they want to speak to in relation to the assault on the 30-year-old victim, which took place on January 3, at

Det Con Anna Fisk said: "We do not tolerate unwanted sexual behaviour of any kind on the transport network and take all reports seriously.

"If you recognise this man, or have any information that could help our investigation, please contact us.'

The suspect is understood to have walked up behind the woman, before touching her and walking off.

The appeal comes on the back of Project Guardian, an initiative aimed at improving levels of reporting by victims of sexual offences

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BUSINESS

Customer makes the millionth journey on Christmas Day

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milestone by carrying its one-millionth

passenger this winter.
Account manager
Adam Wiltsher said
the South Quay-based
business had attracted
a loyal following from
residents and business
clients during the past

four years.
One such customer is James Hunt, who made the millionth trip from his Limehouse home to north London, on Christmas Day. He won £100 of Carrot Cars Gift Cards.

Adam said: "We knew right, says Adam Wiltsher we were coming close to the milestone, and that was really nice. we do the bury."

"We had an inkling because we were so close to Christmas but we were so busy over that period, we had been doing double jobs as well."

With an initial drivers pool of 20, four years later the firm has 100 car staff on its books and recently moved into a larger office to accommodate more call centre operators.

The company says it has two resolutions for 2014 – to continue expanding and to improve customer care.

"We are looking for an increase in service standards – this was something that could be improved upon in this industry," said Adam, adding all staff wore uniforms and were fully-trained.

> "Instead of going for the chauffeur driven a car we stuck with minicabs, and provide a standard of service and upkeep of cars which has gone down really well.

"We work with some major hotels and restaurants in the Canary Wharf area and have contracts with them, and we concentrate on our area.

"Of course, we would love to be as big as Addison Lee, but if

we do the basics right we are on the way."

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We're getting the basics



Alex Foster and Ben Gamble have used funding for their fitness app

BUSINESS IN BRIEF

■ CANARY Wharf's Level39 will host the first Lab Day for bankers seeking pioneering new ways to

Members of the Bank Innovators Council (BIC) will gather at the accelerator space for finance, retail and future cities technology for the event on February 13.

The Lab Day immediately follows the Finovate-Europe conference, at Old Billingsgate Market Hall, on February 11 and 12.

Go to bankinnovatorscouncil.org.

■ ALMOST 28,000 new jobs were created in the City last year, a decline of 21 per cent on 2012.

Mark Cameron, chief operating officer at recruitment firm Astbury Marsden, said: "The City jobs market is finally starting to gather some momentum as bank profits start to return. But we are still waiting for the big investment banks to flex their muscles and initiate the levels of hiring needed to sustain the recovery."

£2.5m loans to ensure tech growth has funding

TECH

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STARTUP companies in and around east London's Tech City are predicted to prosper following a Government cash injection of £2.5million.

The seed finance, to be made available to about 400 entrepreneurs across the capital during the next 12 months, will be delivered by Start Up Direct, also based in the Shoreditch hub.

James Pattison, managing director of Start Up Direct, said: "This £2.5 million to be lent over the coming year is going to have a significant impact on London's startup scene, particularly around Tech City.

"We are seeing a real coming together of talent and ideas, alongside an enthusiasm for entrepreneurship from investors and the Government."

One business that received a £15,000 loan in September is Race Yourself founded by childhood friends Alex Foster, 24, and Ben Gamble, 25.

Race Yourself is an app for the soon to be released Google Glass, which aims to make exercise more interesting by transforming it into an augmented reality game.

Wearing Google Glass, users can race against themselves, a friend, a 400 tonne cargo train or even a horde of flesh eating zombies.

Since receiving the Start Up Direct Loan, the company has expanded its team to 10 and developed a prototype, as well as securing a further £200,000 of angel investment as they gear up for the Google Glass launch in May.

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Co-founder Alex Foster said: "We started out last summer with a great idea and some personal savings, but we needed a cash injection to develop it into a workable product.

"We have since expanded and set up operations in San Francisco and we're now focusing on fine tuning our app.

"2014 is set to be the year of wearable technology and the growing gamification of real life. We intend to ride this wave."

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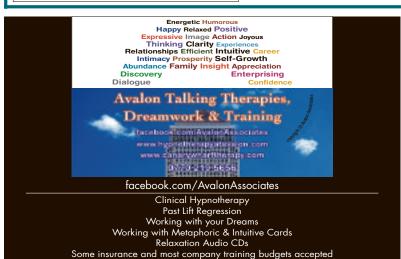
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Hurrying back to city from the drowning countryside

godparents at the weekend. Having escaped from the big city several years back, they are living the dream in a rather charming hamlet in the south of England.

It's very genteel, quintessentially English – listed cottages, box hedges, a quaint little boozer, even a red telephone box on the village green where the local team still plays cricket.

My friends had warned me about the severe weather in the area but, having had the date pencilled in the diary for

several months, I decided to take a chance.

As we pulled off the motorway, onto the winding country lanes, I began to regret my decision. My car is designed to drive upon terra firma, not submerge into the watery depths like some Argo Frontier. I inched the car along, the water washing up almost to window level with every rotation of the wheels.

From the motorway turn off, the journey to my friends, home normally takes lÔ minutes; this took us five times that. We finally arrived to find my



friends wading through water, building a sandbag bank in front of the driveway to their house and door.

Instead of the weekend of relaxation I had envisaged with my friends it was one of stress - although not in the case of Master A who thought it was one big wet and wild adventure.

Each of us took it in turns to keep an eye on the rising water levels, repositioning sandbags and clearing debris from the channels where necessary.

There was even the need to monitor passing traffic, as a surprising number of idiotic drivers seemed to think it was a blast to race through the water. Don't people realise that when they drive fast through these waters they create a wash that often is the primary cause of properties flooding?

I was pleased to be of help while I was

there. However, when the time came, I was delighted to leave my friends to their charming so-called Good Life experience and hot foot it back to the big

Working Mum, reminded how easy Master A and I have it living in the capital.

POLITICAL VIEWPOINT

By Jim Fitzpatrick

Why betting machines need curbing

know many families and communities are concerned about the impact of Fixed-Odds Betting Terminals (FOBTs) gaming machines on which people can bet as much as £100 every 20 seconds - on our high streets.

Recently, the shadow frontbench called an Opposition Day debate on this in the House of Commons.

There is clear evidence FOBTs are causing problems in local communities and that betting shops with the machines are often clustered in close proximity to one another or close to deprived areas.

. This can have a serious impact on other local businesses and lead to concerns about anti-



I believe communities should be able to act in response to concerns

social behaviour. One in three calls to the gambling hotline are also about these machines and critics have argued their high-speed nature makes them

particularly addictive.
I believe local communities should be able to act in response to concerns about these machines and that local authorities should have the power to deal with their growth and the number of betting shops in our high streets.

In order to reduce the harm these machines can cause, measures should also be introduced to slow the rate of play and to interrupt players when they have been playing for long

That is why I supported the shadow frontbench motion calling on the Government to

take precisely this action. Unfortunately, though, the Government ejected this motion. **MP for Poplar** and Limehouse

Wharfinger The long view



1999 The Queen officially opens Poplar Dock Marina, Docklands, where 90 boats can be berthed in luxury.

1970 Pigeon fancier William Bailey prepares to auction his stock for charity. Wally Pope 58, of Barking Road, Plaistow, organised the auction to save the life of Billy Taylor, five, of Canning Town, who is suffering from leukemia. More than 200 birds were auctioned and the highest price raised was £65. One pigeon was supposed to be worth £150 reached only £45. The pigeons were all donated by club members and people from the area. Enough money was raised to send the boy to a specialist clinic.



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SPIRAL NOTEBOOK

By Giles Broadbent

Teaching code in schools is step forward

anary Wharf's Level39 incubator sponsors a coding club network across Tower Hamlets.

This nationwide network of volunteer after-school clubs aims to let children rip the screen off their computers and tablets and let them rummage around with the gubbins inside.

Britain has a long-standing tradition of software development which grew out of the early accessible machines such as the Acorn and Spectrum.

From the early childish thrills of writing rude words that filled the screen, the result has been a profitable industry that has given the world Lara Croft and Grand Theft Auto

That spirit was lost with



The spirit of the early machines was lost with closed devices

the closed devices, although recent innovations such as the Raspberry Pi aim to revive the idea that children would enjoy fooling around with circuits and logic commands just as much as flinging irate birds at dodgy architecture.

Fortunately – and shamefully late - the coding clubs will become an added extra, not the sole engine of computer science education.

From September, England will be the first country in the world to make computer programming a compulsory school subject.

Computer code – like English itself – has become the essential way of describing, transcribing and shaping the modern world.

Sad that we insisted on the limited (albeit charming) backwaters of French for so long while failing to recognise the significance of a truly global,

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ROB VIRTUE

Curtain rises on theatrical partnership

CULTURE

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TWO organisations passionate about staging diverse drama in Greenwich have joined forces.

Greenwich Theatre has taken the talents of the Sell A Door Theatre Company, in Greenwich High Road, under its wing as part of a formal partnership that will see the staging of three collaborative projects in 2014.

These include Robert Louis Stevenson's Kidnapped in April, a revival of Avenue Q, by Robert Lopez, Jeff Marx and Jeff Whitty, running into May and Lewis Carroll's enchanting tale of Alice In Wonderland.

James Haddrell, director of the Crooms Hill theatre, said: "Sell A Door is a great example of the work we do in supporting the development of this country's finest young companies."

With a staff of seven at its base, Sell A Door's artistic director David Hutchinson said he was "delighted" with the link.

"The theatre always has time for us and allows us to be innovative," said David.

"Not many theatres are like that, especially during a period of cuts.

"We are only in the position to build audiences because we were given the chance in the first place."

What's On / Page 12



The Traffic Light Tree now stands on the roundabout near McDonald's and Billingsgate market

Sculpture puts down new roots

IT'S been a long time away but now Canary Wharf's Traffic Light Tree has finally returned.

It was removed from its previous home in Westferry in 2011 after works on the road layout meant it was unsuitable for that site.

The much-loved sculpture was dismantled and placed in storage. However, Isle of Dogs Councillor Gloria Thienel fought to have it returned to the area around Canary Wharf.

And now Pierre Vivant's iconic structure of 75 independently

flashing lights is welcoming drivers at the roundabout outside Billingsgate Market.

Work on the new home at Trafalgar Way for the structure began in September. Plans for the turning on of the lights, which have already been tested, are currently being worked on.

It was installed at Westferry in 1998 in place of a dying plane tree.

At the time the Public Art Commission Agency said the light changes represented "the restlessness of Canary Wharf".



Fortress will surrender to 1,800 homes

PI ANNING

Rob.Virtue

COUNCILLORS have given the green light for a proposal to redevelop the former News International site in Wapping and build up to 1,800 homes.

Plans for the 15 acre site, also known as London Dock, received the thumbs up at a Tower Hamlets planning meeting on Thursday night.

Work is now expected to begin on the initial phase in spring.

Also included in the part-detailed application is 486 affordable homes and a secondary school.

There will also be cafes, restaurants and small offices, while the historic warehouse will be "sensitively revitalised".

Developer St George, a subsidiary of Berkeley Homes, bought the site in 2012.

Ross Faragher, managing director at St George, said: "In providing high quality homes, new commercial space and land for a new secondary school all set in a beautifully landscaped site, we will create a fantastic place for a new vibrant community to thrive.

"We look forward to continuing to work with Tower Hamlets Council and the local community as the development progresses."

Residential buildings will be between five and 25 storeys high.



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What's On

Seven Days

Stage

Beale takes the battered crown



One of the theatrical events of 2014 is already under way with Simon Russell Beale taking on the role of King Lear under the direction of Sam

Tickets have already gone for the initial run (except some day tickets) and new ones will be released in February.

In the meantime, listen to the critics swoon (we predict) as once more the aged king divides his lands between his daughters.
From Jan 14, Olivier, National

Theatre, £12-£50, national theatre.org.uk.

Uni pals fight for a fulfilling life

Can women have it all is the age-old but never answered question behind Gina Gionfriddo's Rapture, Blister, **Burn** at Hampstead Theatre.

Emilia Fox, pictured, and Emma Fielding are the two graduates who take opposite paths. Catherine builds a career as an academic while Gwen stays at home with a husband and children. Both are unfulfilled and each sees aspects of the other's life that they covet. Until Feb 22, Hampstead Theatre, £15-£32, hampsteadtheatre.com.

Stage

The secrets and lies of spying

Bush Theatre is making quite a name for itself in its new home and the latest staging is an ingenious spy thriller called Ciphers.

A young woman is found dead. Her sister sets out to find out what happened, and stumbles into a world of secrets and subterfuge that makes her question who Justine really was. How well can you ever know someone who lies for a living? Until Feb 8. Bush Theatre. £10-£19.50, bushtheatre.co.uk.

My dancing break came at just the right time

INTERVIEW

TV's Lisa Riley tells how Strictly changed her life, her figure and her outlook

Hannah Stephenson

earing a black sweatshirt emblazoned with the glittering word "Pow", Lisa Riley greets me with that huge, ray-of-sunshine smile.

Her personality is as sparkling as the sequins on her frocks for *Strictly* Come Dancing, the show that's been her lifeline since the death of her mother in 2012.

There's little doubt that Strictly has changed her life. Since she reached the semi-finals, Riley, 37, has been closely associated with the show and will be hosting the tour at The O2 at the beginning of next month [see below].

"My confidence with Strictly rose to gas mark 10," she says.

"There had been times when my confidence had been knocked. For the first time, the press could not turn round and say, 'You are unhealthy'

"I ran up them stairs quicker than Robin [Windsor, her dance partner] and he's been dancing since he was

"Because of Strictly, I was allowed to have this voice, and for the first time in my life I could wear what the hell I liked and I could be sexy."

Today, she's still buxom and bouncy, but there's noticeably less of her. She says she never consciously tried to lose weight but the pounds melted away because of the training. She's gone from a size 28 to an 18 in little more than a year and would like to stay there.

"I didn't feel better [losing weight] because I'm still me, but I became very aware of my ability in dance."

Behind all the smiles, there's been the intense sadness of losing her mother Cath to breast cancer in July 2012, two weeks before she joined the hit TV dance contest

> During those last heart-rending months, her mother went from feisty to frail, becoming a shadow of her former self.

"Me and mum were carbon copies of each other. She was the life and soul and would never have wanted me to sit and throw my head in a pillow and cry, but I was dying inside.

> whole life just felt like it was over, yet on the other side of the coin my mum knew that I'd got Strictly and said, 'Darling, just be you', and that's what I did during the series. I went for it."

"It was devastating. My



Lisa Riley with dancing partner Robin Windsor promote the arena tour

 $Riley\,still\,has\,what\,she\,calls\,"baseball$ bat" moments, when something triggers the grief – like spotting a lady in a yellow jacket in a cafe recently (her mother loved yellow) and feeling as though she'd "just crack".

Up to now, boyfriends have not been her strong point. Her partners have included a fraudster who ended up in jail and a married man who dumped her and returned to his wife. For a while she became the talk of the tabloids, and her confidence hit rock bottom.

"My behaviour was severely denting my career, because I couldn't cope. didn't want to face being pointed at. I never wanted to be the scandal."

Looking back, she admits she'd gone off the rails after joining ${\it Emmerdale}$ in 1995 aged 19 because she simply couldn't handle the fame.

"At the worst point, I was having five bottles of wine a night and shots. was verging on alcoholic. I had no 'off button'. I'd be sick and then I'd carry

She says her father brought things to a head when he told her sternly that she was a mess and needed to

What was it like in the eye of a media storm?

"My behaviour was severely denting my career, because I couldn't cope. I didn't want to face being pointed at. I never wanted to be the scandal."

clean up her life. His words prompted her to cut down on excesses.

"I never regret anything. If you make a mistake, it's there for a reason. I live my life by that. These things make me stronger."

As well as hosting this year's Strictly arena tour which starts next week, she is appearing alongside Martin Shaw in a new series of BBC detective drama George Gently.

"As an actress, you dread the gap between 40 and 47, because there's not many roles and if there are, you play a boring mum.

"But I'm approaching my 40s beyond excited. It's not looking remotely

THE SHOW

Make your vote count

he multi-million pound juggernaut that is Strictly Come Dancing is coming to The O2 arena in North Greenwich on February 8-9, with two shows a day.

The show features all the must-have elements from the BBC series and features a line-up including winner Abbey Clancy, Mark Benton and Natalie Gumede.

Fans will get the chance to watch the celebrity dancing

couples competing live for the TV judges' votes and then get to vote themselves with their mobile phones.

The audience will experience Strictly's glitz, glamour and the professionals' choreography, courtesy of Craig Revel Horwood, who is directing the live show for the fourth year running. Feb 8-9, The O2, £29.50-£73.50, theo2.co.uk.

What's On

Days

Exhibition

Artist looks into his surroundings



Artwork exploring how individuals relate to their surroundings and the human impact on particular landscapes will be on-show at a Limehouse theatre this month.

East Londoner Ross Head will see his striking collection of drawings, prints and paintings, headed A Transitional Moment, take pride of place in the exhibition space at Half Moon Young People's Theatre, until April 8.

Opening hours for the free exhibition are Monday to Friday, 10am-6pm and Saturday 10am -4pm, on theatre show days only. Go to halfmoon.org.uk.

Exhibition

Art captured on a textile print

Twentieth century textiles created by artists including Picasso, Dali, Matisse and Warhol offer a snapshot of a variety of art movements in a new

exhibition. Genres including Cubism, Fauvism. Surrealism and Pop Art from

Britain and America will be put under the spotlight in Artist Textiles at Newham College's Fashion and Textile Museum, near London Bridge. From Jan 31, Fashion And Textile Museum, ftmlondon.org.

Exhibition

Fans that mark the milestones

Themes of love, life and death are explored through an array of decorative fans spanning more than 300 years.

Hatch, Match and Dispatch Part Two, is the latest exhibition at The Fan Museum, in Greenwich.

The featured accessories were all designed to commemorate births, marriages and deaths from the 17th century, including roval events and items in a bridal trousseau. Until Jun 1, The Fan Museum, £4, thefanmuseum.org.uk.

Seven The secret of my excess

The Wolf Of Wall Street

ased on the memoir of stockbroker Jordan Belfort, The Wolf Of Wall Street is a lurid portrait of debauchery following the same misaligned moral compass as Oliver Stone's 1987 paean to greed.

Here, greed isn't just good, it's a cornerstone of this gaudy, hallucinogenic American dream, allowing the unscrupulous to prey on the weak and vulnerable to finance flashy apartments, fast cars and copious amounts of nose candy.

Martin Scorsese, 71, pulls no punches in his depiction of Belfort's wild excesses including myriad scenes of pill-popping and a slow motion orgy on a private jet - the film wears its 18 certificate as a badge of honour.

"On a daily basis, I take enough drugs to sedate Manhattan, Staten Island and Queens for a month," boasts Jordan (Leonardo DiCaprio) in his opening voiceover.

He owns a sprawling mansion replete with swimming pool, tennis court and waterfall, plus a white Ferrari "like Don Johnson's in Miami

In flashback, we meet Jordan as he nervously starts a position with brokers at Rothschild, where charismatic golden boy, Mark Hanna (Matthew McConaughey), takes the newcomer under his wing.

In the aftermath of Black Monday, Jordan loses his job and is forced to sell penny stocks at a fly-by-night

operation in Long Island.

Blessed with the gift of the gab,
Jordan excels and decides to open his own firm, Stratton Oakmont, with salesman Donnie Azoff (Jonah Hill). The business goes from strength to strength and Jordan jettisons his wife Teresa (Cristin Milioti) to romance blonde bombshell Naomi Lapaglia (Margot Robbie).

Meanwhile, the "work hard, play harder" mantra of Stratton Oakmont



Leonardo DiCaprio and Jonah Hill enjoy the excesses of wealth in Martin Scorsese's gluttonous movie

attracts the attentions of tenacious FBI Agent Patrick Denham (Kyle Chandler), who resolves to bring down Jordan and his inner circle.

The Wolf Of Wall Street howls but doesn't bite. It offers us a cautionary tale that revels in Jordan's triumphs for so long, we almost forget he must get his comeuppance.

Scorsese's directorial brio coupled with DiCaprio's twitchy performance ease some of the pain of the running time, and the nasty stink of the script's depiction of women.

While individual scenes pulsate with misplaced youthful exuberance, as a whole, The Wolf Of Wall Street and its repugnant characters overstay their welcome.

Damon Smith

Our verdict

Skill and verve in the craftsmanship don't wash away that nasty taste

SCREEN

Crystal Fairy



Sebastian Silva writes and directs this meandering Chilean road movie centred on American tourist Jamie (Michael Cera), who is determined to track down a legendary hallucinogen.

He hooks up with a bohemian free spirit called Crystal Fairy (Gaby Hoffman), but friendships are tested to the limit in this assured and committed comedy.

★★★☆

SCREEN

Devil's Due



After a mysterious, lost night on their honeymoon, a newlywed couple finds themselves dealing with a pregnancy.

While recording everything for posterity, the husband begins to notice odd behaviour in his wife that they initially write off to nerves, but, as the months pass, it becomes evident that the dark changes have a much more sinister origin.

SUNDANCE

First film unveiled

he first film lined up for this year's Sundance London has been unveiled.

The UK premiere of documentary Lambert δ Stamp will take place during The O2's annual indie film fest.

documentary charts a crazy, chaotic journey, as aspiring filmmakers Chris Stamp and Kit Lambert set out to search for a subject for



their underground movie, leading them to discover, mentor and manage The Who.

Director James D Cooper focuses on an extended interview with Chris Stamp, supplemented by interviews with Roger Daltrey and Pete Townshend. Sundance London takes place between April 25-27. Go to sundance-london.com.



Alive

kept on

Nicola Adams rose to fame at the Excel centre during the 2012 Olympics, becoming the first female to win a gold medal for boxing. The 31-year-old is swapping her boxing mitts for goalkeeper gloves in her latest role as ambassador for Street League, a charity using football to get young people into work, education

■ Why did you become involved with Street League?

Programmes like this give kids an outlet and something to look forward to. Also, you never know where sports will take them. When I first went to a boxing gym, it was always a dream to be an Olympic champion, but it was just a dream. I never

thought it was going to happen. Did you have financial troubles growing up?

Back then, women's boxing didn't really get much support, we had to fund everything ourselves. Sometimes I didn't have enough money to get to the boxing gym, and my brother would have to drive 40 minutes down the motorway and wait until I was

■ What would your life have been like if you hadn't boxed?

Because I've been boxing for so long it feels like that's all I've ever done. It's hard to say where I would have ended up but I liked acting.

■ How has your life changed since winning Olympic Gold? I'm still the same person, everything else has changed around me. The

fame was hard to get used to ■ How rigorous is your training schedule now?

It's the same as always: three times a day, Monday through Friday for an hour each session. I have Saturday and Sunday off.

■ What do you do when you're not boxing?

I go out with my friends, go to the movies, and I am playing golf as well. I'm going to be starting some acting classes soon too.

■ What are your plans up to the Olympics in 2016?

I'll be competing in the European Championship, Commonwealth Games, and the World Championship. It will be a really full-on year. I'm aiming for gold.

Street League runs several sessions across London including the Cre8 Lifestyle Centre at Hackney Wick.



The dream of glory is what How pressure to be slim pushing me affects teenagers' lives

Facebook generation communicate via images and absorb idealised bodyshapes

he New Year heralds a new round of agonising over appearance. Resolutions are made, diets are begun and pressure is increased.

Paranoia about appearance in adolescence is sadly not a new or uncommon problem, but it is one that is now pulling ever younger children into its grip.

Body image expert Professor Andrew Hill said: "You can certainly pick up this apparent lack of selfconfidence in children as young as

nine and 10. "Nowadays, we often tell others



about our lives not through words but through pictures via phones and computers. There's also a vast array magazines featuring celebwith rities. telling pictures

a very clear story about the acceptability and unacceptability of physical

Prof Hill said though the age it started was getting lower in modern times, the basic feelings behind it were the same as ever.

He said: "Teenagers, particularly those in their early teens, are generally shy and, while we talk about it and recognise it more, it's very difficult to find statistics that indicate that a lack of self-confidence levels have increased.'

In a bid to help young girls tackle their self-confidence issues, Girlguiding has introduced a body confidence badge that Guides can



Girlguiding is promoting a body confidence badge, backed by chief executive Julie Bentley, below



SURVEY RESULTS

A study in the Journal Of Adolescent Health by University College London and the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine has published findings of a new survey of 7,000 13-year-

■ Nearly 12 per cent of girls and five per cent of boys were "terrified" of getting fat.

52 per cent of girls and a third of boys said they were "a little worried" about getting fat

One in three girls and one in five boys were "distressed" by their body shape.

■ 26 per cent of girls and 15 per cent of boys had "eating disorder behaviours" such as fasting.

Doctors said they were worried by the high level of weight fixation in girls as eating disorders tend to start in the mid-teenage years. Researcher Dr Nadia Micali said: "For me the results were particularly worrying."

Girlguiding chief executive Julie Bentley said: "Self-esteem in young girls is a huge issue that's impacting

on the quality of young girls' lives.

"Through the creation of this badge, we're hoping to help girls realise their full potential and feel better about their bodies and the way they look."

Prof hill said that while adolescent girls may have had deeper body confidence issues than their male counterparts, adolescent boys had image

worries too.

He said: "I don't think the lack of body confidence is as intense for boys, but the same issues are there for them. Boys tend to be valued for the things they do, like sport, and girls are often valued for the way they look."

He pointed out that during puberty

boys grew taller and more muscular an appearance valued by society while girls grew curvier, which they often perceived as fatter and not the way society wanted them to look.

Most of girls' ways of coping with any distress caused by their body image, or indeed any other worries, are directed inwardly through depression and anxiety, trying to control their emotional state through controlling eating, and self-harm.

Boys who have body image or other problems, on the other hand, tended to act out their distress, possibly through destruction, violence, taking

substances or getting drunk, said Hill. He said: "Girls tend to talk to each other, boys and men do not. But if girls talk to their friends about problems like body image, it can also leave them vulnerable, as girls' friendships during adolescence are particularly brittle."

But for young people experiencing



body image problems, and the parents who are witnessing their children's angst, Prof Hill said: "For many kids it's not something they'll grow out of but they will grow through it.

"Their physical changes occur at different ages, and for parents it's a matter of helping them get through

He said parents using their own experience wasn't always helpful, because young people led very different lives these days.

They may appreciate discussing their problems with someone more neutral though, perhaps a younger member of the family or a close

"The key thing for parents, though, is to give unconditional love," said

"It really doesn't matter what children look like, you're there to be their constant love and support."

Health



Reebok Sports Club personal trainer Carli Wheatley, left, has teamed up with Sweaty Betty's Lucinda Brosnan to offer a special workout at Wood Wharf

We want to empower women on the Wharf

CLASS

Pair tell **Beth Allcock** why strength work is essential for those keen to gain fitness

trong is the new skinny" will be the all-female feel-good message pumping out of Canary Wharf on Sunday.

The estate's Sweaty Betty shop in Jubilee Place has appointed Carli Wheatley, personal trainer at Reebok Sports Club, as its new ambassador.

With a shared passion to empower women by "getting them moving", Carli and store manager Lucinda Brosnan have teamed up to host a two-hour strength training workshop tailored to fitness first-timers and those lacking in confidence.

"This could be someone's first step into fitness—it's not something people have to have experience for," said Carli.

"You sometimes forget there are people scared of the gym and people worried they are going to do the wrong thing, and that puts them off exercise when all it's about is movement.

"There's nothing right or wrong. It's a workshop, nothing serious, just a group of women getting together."

Heading down to Wood Wharf, class members will receive the lowdown on a full-body workout, incorporating exercises for the legs, arms, core, chest and back.

As well as trying out the exercises, Carli will give guidance about their benefits and the muscle groups that should be feeling the effects.

After the session, she hopes a coffee meet-up will allow people a chance to pick her brains about all things training-related and an opportunity to break down any barriers people Why team up with Sweaty Betty for this?

"The brand's mentality is based on helping women look great. Focussing on weight and strength training encourages women to be strong."

may feel they have when approaching a personal trainer. Promoting women's fitness and empowerment is important for the east Londoner.

"I have been trying to find a platform and a company to be able to work with that supports that," she said. "Sweaty Betty is behind women and its mentality is based on helping them look great.

"Focussing on body weight and strength training encourages women to be strong

"It's beneficial psychologically as well – we shouldn't be afraid to lift weights."

Lucinda said the session would be a great addition to the store's existing free fitness classes including Zumba, Yoga and Circuit Training. "It's so positive," she said. "We are

"It's so positive," she said. "We are not just selling clothes we are trying to empower women.

"We have all types of women coming – some might have just had a baby or been injured, for example. We get them kitted out in something flattering and get them to come in for our free classes.

"Canary Wharf is a very male environment and hopefully this session will reach out to the ladies who have been too shy before."

The session runs from 10am until noon on January 19, followed by coffee. Book a place in advance by calling into the Sweaty Betty store in Jubilee Place.

Go to sweatybetty.com.

FITNESS FAST

Classes and deal

BIKRAM YOGA

Save and shed those pounds

If you've pledged to tone up, detox and lose weight this January why not try the heated climes of Bikram?

The Bikram Yoga London centre in South Quay, is offering its monthly peak membership for £89 until February 28, allowing guests to attend

any class representing a £19 saving on regular prices.

A new, off-peak package costs £79 per month for classes before 4pm weekdays and throughout the weekend or for £59 per month Wharfers can access just Friday and weekend classes.

Go to bikramyogalondon.com.

SLIMMING WORLD

Club's raring to lose this year

Celebrity sparkle rounded off a year spent shedding the pounds for the leader of a Wharf-based slimmers group.

Lesley Buckley, who helps fellow Wharfers lead a more healthy life though her Slimming World sessions at The Idea Store every Tuesday was rewarded by meeting Mancunian funnyman Paddy McGuinness at the brand's

annual awards ceremony.
She said: "As well as seeing stonking success on the scales, we've had a lot of fun throughout the year.
"We've held parties, raised

"We've held parties, raised money for charity and members have cheered each other on with every step of their weight loss journey. I can't wait to see what 2014 holds."

Call Lesley on 07771 655 575 or go to slimmingworld.com.

BOOTS

Get pampered and a free gift

If your skin is feeling the effects of the harsh wintry conditions, retreat to Liz Earle in Boots' Canada Place branch for some in-store pampering and a free gift

Until January 31, staff are offering a complimentary, bespoke New Year New You skincare consultation or a relaxing hand and arm massage, as well as a treat-sized version of the brand's signature Cleanse And Polish Hot Cloth Cleanser. Go to canarywharf.com to download the offer page, which applies until January 31.

Travel

TRAVEL TIPS

Destination ideas

APARTHOTELS

Get 75% off a capital break



Stay close to Tower Bridge for less

If you're hosting business guests in the capital – or live in the countryside and fancy a lively weekend in central London – ApartHotels London in Tower Bridge is offering January sale rates on a place to bed down.

Throughout the month, guests can receive a 75 per cent discount on a superior open plan apartment, now priced at £99 for two nights including VAT – instead of the regular cost of £400.

A fully-fitted kitchen, including washer/dryer, fridge/ freezer, dishwasher and utensils, internet access, digital TV and radio is also included.

ApartHotels London Tower Bridge is located at 153 Tower Bridge Road, London, SE1 3LW. To make a reservation, call 0845 257 6000 or go to aparthotels-london.co.uk.

SKINCARE

Protection for hardcore skiers

Avoid ending up with a red face on the bright white slopes this skiing season by remembering to pack some protection against UV rays.

Based on studies which revealed that dietary intake of tomato lucopene and photonutrients offer a way of combatting sun damage to skin cells, Lyc-O-Mato capsules were created to be used alongside sun cream treatment.

One dose provides the equivalent intake of six large, ripe non GM tomatoes and allows a quick and easy-to-transport sun protection solution while you concentrate on tackling your next piste.

Packets of 30 capsules cost £12.18 and are available from Holland & Barrett in Canada Place Mall, online at vita-healthcare.com or at independent health food stores and pharmacies.



The property in Mallorca where Ruth Tongue's June Pilates and nutrition retreat will take place

How healthy summer retreat will set you up

Q&A

Pilates guru tells **Beth Allcock** why
Wharfers should
join her in Mallorca

olidays spent sipping Sangria while soaking up the sun might sound idyllic. But if you're seeking an even balance of fitness and fun this year, a summer retreat could provide the solution.

Nutritionist and Pilates trainer Ruth Tongue upped sticks from her Greenwich base to move to the south of France earlier this year, pursuing a passion to teach abroad as well as setting up her first health camps.

Here the 30-year-old tells us what Wharfers can expect from her Rejuvenating Body Boosting Pilates Retreat packages in Mallorca and France:

■ How did it all start?

I have been wanting to run retreats for a few years. I have been on a couple myself focussed on yoga and you always come back feeling so relaxed.

Sometimes you can go on holiday and it's lovely, but you come back feeling like you need another one.

If you go on a Pilates or Yoga retreat you can feel healthy in yourself, maybe eat and drink a little more than usual, but do that exercise and fitness and you come home feeling you are fitter.

I got in contact with PR guru Lynne Franks and she seemed to think I had good credentials having a Pilates and nutrition background. It's her house where we will be running the retreats.

■ If you're a newbie to this type of holiday, what can you expect?

Hopefully everyone will leave feeling refreshed and relaxed with a new lease of life.

Pilates is the perfect mind-body workout. By focussing on breathing, alignment and flowing movement, you'll get in touch with your body and feel stronger, lengthened and invig-

But it's not going to be a strict detox retreat. The only programmes that are set are Pilates classes – one in the morning, one in the evening, and there's lots of free time during the day.

People can choose to do as much or as little of the nutritional programme as they like. There will be classes and workshops for people who want to follow stricter diet plans, so that's an option but if you want to have a chilled out holiday in the sun doing



Retreat leader Ruth Tonque

Pilates, that's fine too. It's all inclusive, all meals will be nutritionally-balanced and using local produce.

■ Who will benefit most?

It's suitable for all levels, it's not just for people that have done Pilates before

It would be really good for anyone who has a stressful job as well as people who are into health and fitness and don't want to go and lie on a heach

It's in a small village, about 20

How will this retreat leave me feeling?

"Pilates is the perfect mind-body workout. By focusing on breathing and flowing movement, you'll feel stronger, lengthened and invigorated."

minutes from the beach, for a group of just 10.

■ Is the combination of Pilates and nutrition effective?

People who are into Pilates are often keen on keeping a healthy lifestyle and particularly maintaining a healthy weight.

Generally, if you're making a plan to look after your body, it's important to look at all aspects of your life.

■ What are the details?

The first retreat runs in Deia, Mallorca, from June 3-8 with prices ranging from £870-£1,145pp ex VAT.

An early bird discount of 10 per cent is available to those who book and pay their £300 deposit by the end of January. Flights are not included.

Dates for further retreats in the south of France will be available soon. Go to ruthtongue.com or bloomretreats.com.

Lashion

Get your skin glowing with direct application

INTERVIEW

Beauty ambassador Sasha White tells **Beth Allcock** why natural is so now

you've been tempted to brush off the notion of mineral makeup as just another beauty fad, bareMinerals first new-concept boutique is keen to change your

As part of the influx of new stores now adorning the lower tier of Canary Wharf's Jubilee Place Mall, the brand has become a beacon for the beauty industry on the estate, joining cosmetics company Bobbi Brown as one of two stand-alone make-up outlets.

Striking cosmetics displays matched with eye-catching mirrors and black antique-style chairs deliver a monochrome style statement in the brightly-lit store.

But beauty ambassador Sasha White said the company's popularity was down to the ingredients it uses rather than their presentation.

"All the products are natural," said the 19-year-old, who first became a bareMinerals convert after using its most popular line, foundation.

"There are no preservatives, fillers, talcs or binders so it's completely natural on the skin. It feels lovely.

"If you take mineral supplements it takes four weeks to reach the skin's surface but by putting the minerals on the skin straight away, you're going to benefit immediately.

"People think because it's a mineral product it's not going to give full coverage but it really does.

And Sasha should know her stuff –

she juggles her ambassador role with a part-time modelling position and a host of beauty pageant appearances.

The firm also offers in-store makeunders for those who want to try out natural cosmetics.

Sasha said the free-of-charge treat included a masterclass in applying the make-up.

"We're teaching the customer," she said. "And they always seem to love it once we've put the product on their skin. The brand is all about a more natural looking make over but we can build it up to suit each customer's needs.

"If we get younger girls they always like it to be built up more but most of our customers want the natural look.

Why put minerals straight on your skin?

"If you take mineral supplements it takes four weeks to reach the skin's surface. By putting them on the skin you're going to benefit immediately."

"If they've never used the products before, they are impressed.

"And people are always shocked we do so many – we have got such a variety now. We have three different types of foundation with 24 colours in

Available in matt, original or compact, minerals can be sprinkled into the lid of the pot before being swirled into the skin to provide a natural glow.

Following the make-under, newbies have the option of purchasing starter kits, filled with the foundation used in-store, bronzer, finishing powder,



Since the boutique opened its doors,

business has been bright.
"It's been really good," said Sasha. "People are so happy they have got a proper make-up shop. Throughout December we had people wanting their make-up done for work parties and it was good for us to be here and introduce the products to them.

"We fit in well - Canary Wharf needed something like this. Go to bareminerals.co.uk.

Say hello to the statement colour of 2014 – pinkypurple radiant orchid. Lisa Haynes offers four ways to slip it into your look.



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bareMinerals Make-under

lotting into place among the throngs of Wharfers heading for the home-time Tube, a refresh ingly elegant visage wasn't the only thing that left me buzzing following my make-under at bareMinerals.

I'd learnt a new three-word make-up mantra – swirl, tap, buff. Swirl, tap, buff. The hour-long free session was a bit of a beauty revolution for me.

It encompassed the basics of cleansing, moisturising and using



Sasha works on Beth's face during her make-under at bareMinerals

a primer as well as picking out a suitable foundation, concealer, eyeshadow, liner and lip gloss

The primer – a product I admitted to not using in years - was impressive,

gliding onto my skin with a soft, light finish, but the powder foundation was the star. After striping my cheek with three colour selections, I chose Golden Fair to add a glow and a shine-free finish to my terribly pale

Forget slapping on copious amounts of liquid foundation – only a tiny amount of bareMinerals sprinkles was needed to make up a full face.

These were tipped into the lid of the pot before the firm's iconic motions began.

I was taught to swirl the miniscule amount of product with a brush, tap it on the pot and then buff my face in circular, upward motions, to warm the minerals and get the best out of them.

Starting from the jawline and moving towards the hair, it was nothing short of therapeutic. And while it might be more time consuming than a quick swipe of foundation, I found the technique left me relaxed.

All the while, Sasha was there to advise on colour, tips and method that I was keen to remember. **Beth Allcock**

Our verdict

Informative freebie is tough to beat

Food

COOK WITH CJ JACKSON

Pan-fried halibut with Puttanesca dressing

ou should be eating a couple of portions of fish a week - here's a great recipe to add to your repertoire Serves 4

Ingredients

4 halibut steaks 3 tbsps of plain flour seasoned with salt and pepper 25g butter 1 tbsp olive oil

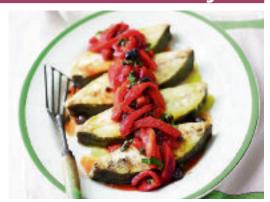
For the dressing

4 red peppers, grilled, seeded with skins removed 2 tbsps extra virgin olive oil 225g (8oz) cherry tomatoes, halved

12 pitted Kalamata olives 2 tbsps capers, drained and roughly chopped 2 tbsps shredded basil salt and freshly ground black pepper

Before you do any thing else, you'll need to prepare the dressina

Thickly slice the red peppers. Heat the olive oil in



Why not pair this with a simple side of fragrant rice?

a pan and add the tomatoes. Cook over a low heat for two-three minutes or until they begin to soften.

Stir in the peppers, olives, capers and basil, warm through and season to taste.

Roll the halibut steaks in seasoned flour. Heat the butter and olive oil together in a large frying pan until the fish and pan-fry for three-five minutes on each side - it will look opaque and be firm to the touch and golden-brown when done. For a lighter option, brush the halibut with a little olive oil, season and grill for two-three minutes on each side instead

Arrange the fish on a large platter and spoon the dressing over the top to serve.





Scots' indelicate delicacy is served up to perfection

Ahead of Burns Night Jon Massey tackles Boisdale's pro-unionist Great Chieftain O' The Puddin' Race

Burns Night Preview

Boisdale of Canary Wharf

nitially I thought Boisdale's decision to serve up a "Union Haggis" stuffed with Irish barley, Welsh pluck, English liver and Scottish heart was a clear rejection of Alex Salmond's breakaway fetish.

But looking back through the blur at the pre-Burns Night dinner, a preview for the main event on January 25, I'm not so sure.

Certainly the puddin' embodied the four territories' tasty collaboration.

A blend of ingredients stronger together to

delight those feasting.

Piped in by Willie in full regalia, so far so friendly. But then, with wild eyes and spittle forming at the corners of his mouth, the bombastic Scot began to recite Burns' Address To The Haggis before drawing his dirk in a frenzy to ritually murder the beast.

There it lay, the Union. Slaughtered before our eyes. And then, quite happily tanked up on Macallan whisky, we consumed all traces of it until there was nothing left but the memory.

Mixed messages. Did we kill and eat the union or celebrate its greatness? Would the Boisdale chain benefit from a split or suffer?

Perhaps marking the border with a thicker line would lend its brand an extra exoticism down south; make that tartan glow brighter in the dimmed light.

But then, what if the pound is lost up north? Will the price of the tonnes of Macsween haggis (yes, really, tonnes) served each year at Boisdale's restaurants rocket? Maybe it will become the new caviar, a great delicacy to be enjoyed in teaspoon-size morsels.

Owner Ranald Macdonald says he's a supporter of the union but I wonder if actions speak louder than words.

In the more immediate future though, before





Top, the Union Haggis is prepared and, above, served with neeps and tatties

What can I expect from Burns Night on the estate

"But be warned. The heady blend of ingredients, alcohol and good cheer at Boisdale of Canary Wharf on January 25 might make you forget yourself."

Jon Massey

the spectre of independence threatens to ruin or bolster the business model, let's get to the meat.

While a bewildering range of options exist at Boisdale for Burns Week (January 18-25 in Belgravia), Wharfers should focus on the 25th for the main event. From 7pm the sounds of the Rat Pack will wash over diners enjoying the traditional five-course menu (tickets £48-£68).

Veggies need not apply with starters limited to smoked salmon (another reference to Alex?) or Scottish venison carpaccio followed by Macsween haggis with tatties and neeps and then a ribeye steak or cullen skink pie. To finish, a Scottish tart with clotted cream or cranachan of honeycomb then coffee. Diners will also enjoy a noggin of Macallan single malt whisky with the haggis.

The Union Haggis is available by special arrangement.

And, if the food is half as good as it was on the preview evening the menu's well worth the money.

But be warned. The heady blend of ingredients, alcohol and good cheer might make you forget yourself. Fortunately the incongruous stylings of the crooners should remind you you're at Canary Wharf, not Bannockburn.

Check the website for offerings at the chain's other venues.

Boisdale of Canary Wharf, Cabot Place, Canary Wharf, London, El4 4QT, 020 7715 5818, boisdale.co.uk.

Our verdict

It will be hard to match this for verve ★★★★★

THE GIR

Celebrate January's end with some ales

Award-winning gastropub The Gun in Blackwall will celebrate the end of the most depressing month of the year with an ale festival.

Beers from the likes of The Kernel, Thornbridge, and Windsor and Eton will flood the ETM Group venue, which will also be serving a special beer-matching menu from January 30-February 1. An Homage To Fromage cheeseboard will also be available.

Entry to the 30-cask event is free. Go to thegundocklands.com.

ROYAL CHINA

Diners get a chance to win a free meal

Red envelopes will be greeting visitors to the Royal China in Canary Riverside.

The restaurant marks Chinese New Year on January 31 (it will be the horse for 2014) and, in celebration, one of the scarlet handouts will contain a voucher for a complimentary meal to the value of £100 at the Westferry restaurant overlooking the Thames.

Royal China specialises in dim sum dishes but offers a wide range of oriental dishes.

Go to royalchinagroup.biz.

FOOD FOR A

By Jon Massey

Grilled chicken salad £4.25, Pret a Manger One Canada Square

'd just been to the gym. My head bulged with post-workout hunger. I remembered reading that you should feed your body something healthy within the golden hour, post exertion.

"But don't over-feed," the angel on my left shoulder cautioned.

"Forget him," screamed the six-inch figure clad in red on my right. "You've just done physical work, you've burnt off loads of calories so you deserve a pizza."

Back and forth it went, like tennis. I stood there in the lobby of One Canada Square immobile, paralysed by my tormentors' arguments.

Then my eyes fell on Pret and its grilled chicken salad. Lightning quick; white meat, lean, grilled, low fat – it was perfect.

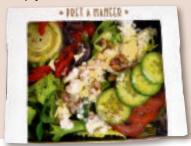
And I wasn't disappointed. This well presented box struck a good balance between indulgence and health.

Cheesy, nutty, sharp and fresh. Good job.

Our verdict

A decent compromise with flavour too

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TRIAL GOES ON

Former News International chief executive Rebekah Brooks arrives at the Old Bailey courthouse on Tuesday. Brooks is among eight defendants on trial on various charges related to phone-hacking, illegal payments to officials, and hindering police investigations. They all deny the charges.



A worker poses with Pablo Picasso's Femme Au Costume Turc Dans Un Fauteuil, a portrait of his lover Jacqueline Roque painted in 1955, at Christie's auction house on Monday. The artwork is expected to fetch £15-20million when it goes under the hammer next month.



BACK IN COURT

Former Radio 1 DJ, Dave Lee Travis, real name David Patrick Griffin, arrives at Southwark Crown Court on Monday. Travis has denied 14 counts of indecent assault and one count of sexual assault.



DOVE OF PEACH

Pamela Duggan holds a symbolic dove during a vigil for her son Mark Duggan, outside Tottenham Police Station on Sunday. The vigil followed an inquest that found that police acted lawfully when they shot and killed a man whose death sparked a wave of rioting in 2011. Mark Duggan, 29, died after he was shot by police who suspected he was armed at the time.

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ARIES

MAR 21-APR 21

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TAURUS

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I can see you're feeling over-tired from all the mental work you have been doing. Now is the time to stop, wait and watch to see others fail.

GEMINI

MAY 22-JUNE 21

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You have been thinking about a particular problem so much over recent days that you've started to make yourself ill. Try to plan something indulgent.

CANCER

JUNE 22-JULY 23

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The full moon in your sign will ensure that you won't be suffering fools gladly. Just make sure you know how far is too far to go. You could end up losing.

JULY 23-AUG 23

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Old love matches prove flirtatious and dangerous if you're not single. Recent events in your personal life have brought out your naughty side.

VIRGO

AUG 23-SEPT 23

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With the astro action below your horizon it is family and home affairs that take precedence in your life. If splits occur, it is meant to be. Do nothing.

LIBRA

SEPT 24-OCT 23

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Saturn makes it hard for you to go with the flow. You want to stick with your plans and you won't be tolerating any fools gladly. Spend time with relations.

SCORPIO

OCT 24-NOV 21

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With Venus direct, you are no longer in limbo in relationships but you know what you want and what others are willing to offer. Have vital conversations.

SAGITTARIUS

NOV 22-DEC 22

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You can't seem to get a certain person off your mind, but then today's line up is making many of the signs a little paranoid. Try to keep a sense of right.

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ACROSS

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- Photo book (5) 8. Normally,
- ordinarily (2,1,4)
- Take aggressive action against (6)
- School
- punishment (5)
- 13. To gasp (4)
- Tanned hide (7) 14. Do as instructed (4)
- 15.
- Nimble (5)
- Something unrevealed (6)
- More than a few (7)
- Deluge (5) Throb (7)

DOWN

- Friendly and welcoming to guests (10)
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- Opening for
- coins (4) Tinned food fish (4)
- Greek letter (5)
- 10. Specialist
- physician (10) 12. Nun's costume (5)
- Headway (8) Young male
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- horse (4) Public school (4) 19.
- Dandy (4)

ACROSS: 1. Shuffle; 7. Album; 8. As a rule; 9. Attack; 11. Lines; 13. Pant; 14. Leather; 15. Obey; 16. Agile; 17. Secret 21. Several; 22. Flood; 23. Pulsate.

DOWN: 2. Hospitable; 3. Formerly; 4. Lull; 5. Slot; 6. Tuna; 9. Alpha; 10. Consultant; 12. Habit; 13. Progress; 18. Colt; 19. Eton; 20. Beau.

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complete Sudoku, readers should fill in each of the grids so that every column, row and 3x3 box within the squares to the left contains the digits 1 to 9. No repetition of digits is allowed within any of the sequences. Why not time yourself and see whether you can beat your best with next week's puzzles?

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Ian's task is gigantic

he size of Ian Holloway's job - to keep Millwall in the Championship - is apparent after yet another away defeat for the Lions up at Huddersfield on Saturday in the new manager's first game in charge.

Although he was picking the side for the first time after only having been appointed last Monday, it was a similar side to the previous match.

We put in a disciplined, hard-working performance but were undone by a bad header from full-back Jack Smith that gifted the opposition an injury time winner.

It was a real sickener for the new manager, the team and all the Millwall supporters who had made the trek to Yorkshire.

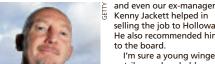
Those are the kind of defeats that make you think relegation is worse than a possibility - it's a probability.

Holloway has organised a behind closed doors friendly between the squad this week, so from there it should become apparent what he needs at the top of his shopping list.

Although we are not rolling in money, I'm sure Holloway would have only agreed to the job if he were promised some funds this season and possibly some more in the summer if he keeps us up.
I'm sure he is going to be

looking for some younger players who can bring a higher tempo and with more energy to the side.

Holloway's sides tend to play quick football and like to retain the ball, so



selling the job to Holloway. He also recommended him to the board. I'm sure a young winger, a striker and probably a central midfielder will be high on Holloway's list.

Our defence also needs improving, but he might look to use different combinations to see what works best to see if re-addressing that area can be left until the summer.

We have enough defenders at the club who have all played well for periods in the recent past, but they now need to deliver for the rest of the season otherwise they could well be replaced.

Quite a few of the players must be playing for their Championship futures. If they don't succeed at Millwall it will limit their options later on.

The wage drop between the Championship and League One and below must be huge and, given footballers have short careers, this should be a motivating factor.

Now we have a charismatic manager in charge hopefully he can bring the best out of the players at his disposal.

. Saturday's home match against Ipswich, bossed by former Millwall manager Mick McCarthy, is a huge

The crowd will be behind Holloway and the team, but the players need to get stuck in from the off to keep the fans with them. It's vital we get a win. Millwall v Ipswich,



New broom: Ian Holloway

Interesting times are ahead if he can keep us up

if he can do the business stave off relegation.

The press conference given by the club last Thursday showed just how engaging Holloway can be and how enthusiastic he is about getting the club back on its feet.

At the end of his Palace reign you could sense that he'd had enough of football and its politics and needed a break.

He explained how he didn't even have a chief scout at Palace and felt that the world was on his shoulders.

The Millwall board has made him feel wanted again

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RACING POST

■ The build up to the Cheltenham Festival continues, with Ptit Zig worth a punt in the **Champion Hurdle Trial at** Haydock on Saturday.

The five-year-old ran a great race under a huge weight at Ascot last month and Paul Nicholls' runner will relish the likely conditions. Ed Quigley



Chelsea's Eden Hazard celebrates

■ Chelsea are hitting top form at the right time and can beat Manchester United in Sunday's heavyweight

Premier League clash. United have already lost at Man City and Liverpool this season, while Chelsea come into the match on the back of five straight victories with only one goal conceded. Mark Langdon

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Hammers delight as Carroll returns

Giles.Broadbent @wharf.co.uk

FOLLOWING two humiliating cup defeats and a spell in the relegation zone, the away win in Cardiff took on huge proportions.

"Ît was a fantastic day, a fantastic game and a fantastic result," said 27-year-old Spanish goalkeeper Adrian who kept his first clean sheet after conceding ll goals in the cup matches.

"The next game is Newcastle



Main man: Andy Carroll, left, holds Mark Noble

at home so we have an opportunity to take points on all the other teams.'

With an international break

looming and a date with Chelsea following that, West Ham will be keen to capitalise on any run of form – and the lift provided by the return of Andy Carroll.

Defender Razvan Rat said: "I don't think about the bottom three, I just think to have backto-back wins, just to play well and get a good result against Newcastle.

"It's a good thing for us that Andy is back. He will give us a boost as he is the main man up front.

West Ham v Newcastle, Sat, 3pm.

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'Lethargic' Addicks are forced into Cup replay

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CHARLTON manager Chris Powell was a relieved man after seeing his side come back from 2-0 down to snatch a draw against Oxford in the FA Cup.

Goals from Michael Morrison and Yann Kermorgant gave Charlton a replay next Tuesday, but the Charlton boss was furious with his team's early effort.

"We were so lethargic in the first half," said Powell. "But then you saw what they were like in the second

"We had more tempo and we started to play better balls and hurt them in the danger area and, apart from one very good save from Ben Hamer, that was it.



Charlton's Jordan Cousins fights for the ball with Sean Rigg of Oxford United

"We worked them more and could have won it at the end but, really, it shouldn't have been like that."

Meanwhile, Powell revealed American striker Dom Dwyer, who has been training with the Addicks, will not be joining the club on loan, despite speculation.

He also said he was in discussions with new owner Raymond Duchatelet to bring in more new players.

"I wouldn't say what I've had are assurances but we've discussed bringing players in," said Powell.

"I'm still getting to know them and they're still getting to know me so we'll have to see how it goes. Middlesbrough v Charlton, Sat, 3pm.

High-flying diver is set for big time

She's only 12 years old but Scarlett is already being trained for the Olympics

Rob.Virtue

he wildly successful 2013 enjoyed by young diving hopeful Scarlett Mew Jensen could have gone to her head. But the 12-year-old from Limehouse, who picked up Canary Wharf's Sports Personality of the Year in February, has her feet firmly on the ground.

Last year's impressive haul saw her triumph at the London Youth Games, win two golds and a silver in the national championships, pick up two bronze medals in a tournament in Rome against Europe's finest and win two golds in another top European

competition

Golds for Scarlett over the course of 2013

Sweden. Scarlett also won a place on the national development squad for the 2016 and 2020 Olympics, training alongside Tom Daley. She's also been mentioned as

a possible for next year's Commonwealth Games, when she will only be

However, the schoolgirl, who also has a passion for dance, is not getting carried away with dreams of Glasgow 2014.

"That's probably not what I'm aiming for," said Scarlett. "I'm looking at international championships first.

"Sweden's coming up again this year and Rome, so I'm aiming for medals there. For the Commonwealth Games you're talking about the next level up and more complicated dives so I'm focusing on this year first then we'll see what happens.

Dedication comes at a price for



Bright future: 12-year-old Scarlett Mew Jensen demonstrates a dive

Scarlett who, while tackling her first year at secondary school, spends 12 hours a week perfecting her dives at Crystal Palace.

There she learns off top coaches and more experienced divers on the team. Despite meeting Tom Daley, it's those closer to her who are her inspiration.

"At Crystal Palace we've got Georgia Ward who's on the GB team and she's someone I would look up to more," said Scarlett.

"She really helps and encourages everyone in our group if we're learning new dives, which gives us the confidence to do it."

There are hopes of training at the world-class Olympic facilities in Stratford – a move that would be ideal for the busy schoolgirl – but talks are still ongoing.

Her mother Charlotte, who takes her across the Europe for training and competitions, said: "It would make so much sense. She's going to Crystal Palace and sometimes Southend but it would be fantastic to use the facilities in Stratford."

Dave Allen manages a try for Blackheath who had a torrid time against Loughborough students, only string fell to Wanstead 38-14. managing to tie in the final

Defeat all round for tired Millwall sides

RUGBY Millwall's first team lost 20-8 away to May and Baker in a top of the table clash, while the second

The reserves, the Llamas, had comprehensively beaten Wanstead in the reverse fixture earlier this season but were undone by tiredness this time around.

Millwall's firsts have a break while

Docklands go top after 3-0 victory

VOLLEYBALL London Docklands secured a 3-0 win over Northumbria/Middlesbrough Academy on Saturday to move them to the top of National League Division One.

Slawek Omvlski and Marc Schaepertoens were the stars as they eased past the threadbare visitors.

Lions draw the crowds with win

BASKETBALL London Lions' rise up the table has resulted in a boost in attendances at the Copper Box Arena in Stratford.

Their highest attendance of 2,200 people saw them overcome Newcastle in their last match.

Their next home game is against Durham Wildcats on January 26.



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Last-kick draw for sorry Blackheath

RUGBY Blackheath grabbed a draw at the death with fly-half Simon Whatling's last kick of the game at home to Loughborough Students.

But despite the 28-28 scoreline, the south-east Londoners can feel hard done by as they were on top for most of the match.

Blackheath travel to Tynedale on Saturday before returning to Rectory Field to take on Esher a week later.



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Above, a brightly furnished flat available through Fizzy Poplar at New Festival Quarter, below right

FizzyLiving's offer is intended to make moving less expensive

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firm managing high-end properties in east London is offering two weeks free rent to those who let before

FizzyLiving's deal is available at its Fizzy Poplar and Fizzy Stepney Green schemes. It says the idea is to reduce the costs associated with moving home

Harry Downes, FizzyLiving's managing director, said: "Moving is an expensive business. You have to book a removals team or van, arrange for the internet and other packages to be installed along with coming up with hard cash to put down a deposit as well as that month's rent.

"Fizzy want to make it easier for our renty-somethings at the start of the

Why are you taking this money off?

"Moving is an expensive business. You have to book a removals team or van and arrange for the internet and other packages' installation."

year by giving away two weeks free rent for all those moving in before March 2014"

Fizzy Poplar covers 45 homes within the New Festival Quarter development. There, one-bed flats can be let from £1,300 per month, while three beds start at £1,850. It is close to Langdon Park and All Saints DLR stations, or a 15 minute walk to Canary Wharf.

In Stepney Green, the firm has 63 apartments in the VIVO building with one beds costing from £1,350 and three beds £2,600.

FizzyLiving, which also has units in Canning Town and Epsom, also announced plans to bring another 1,000 rental properties to the market over the next five years.

Go to blog.fizzyliving.com.





In order to get more for their money, City workers are looking to properties outside London and putting up with lengthy commutes

Prime movers set sights beyond confines of city

Moneyed classes are increasingly looking outside London for quality of life

Beth.Allcock

uyers with more than £5million to spend on a new home remained just as willing to splash their cash throughout 2013. according to a new survey.

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The results, published by Prime Property Finders, also show demand within the luxury property market

is set to continue throughout 2014 as those with a substantial budget seek key homes in desirable locations.

Overseas buyers and investors keen to snap up first or second homes in the capital have been identified as helping to drive the trend, particularly in areas such as Kensington and Chelsea as well as in the country.

Adam Ellis, owner of Prime Property Finders, said: "Our surveys of transactions and market movements show there is a healthy influx of affluent buyers and there is considerable interest in high grade country houses within easy commuting distance of the capital."

The study also revealed Londoners have been cashing in on the spike in demand for properties by trading in

How are things in the prime sector?

"Market conditions have certainly returned to the good old days with sellers achieving and surpassing asking prices."

their homes in favour of a life in the country.

This market sector has previously been lagging behind, but owners of large family homes in the capital, priced in the filmillion-f3million bracket, have now shown a desire to opt for more house and grounds for their money.

The findings also suggest City workers have one eye on improving their families' quality of life while maintaining good access to towns and schools by retreating to the country, even if doing do results in a commute to the office of an hour or more.

Adam said: "Market conditions have certainly returned to the good old days with sellers achieving and surpassing asking prices.

"That means it's good news for Good Lifers as substantial family homes with land in the country are coming on the market for just under £Imillion and up to £3million for those with a cottage in the grounds, to make an ideal granny retreat or guest house for visitors."

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Dealing with the death of your tenant

I am a landlord and I have just been notified that the tenant currently renting my apartment has died. This is sad news, of course, but with a mortgage to pay on the property am I entitled to assume that this event ends the tenancy? Can I re-let the apartment once my former tenant's personal items have been removed or is there further business I need to conduct?

The death of a tenant is an extremely sensitive situation and should be handled with care.

However, death during a fixed term of an assured shorthold tenancy, does not automatically mean the agreement comes to an end.

The tenancy agreement is a contract and it does not come to



The death of a tenant does not end a tenancy agreement

an end when one of the parties

The benefit of the tenancy and the liability to pay rent for the remainder of the fixed term both become part of the deceased tenant's estate, which may or may not have the funds to do so.

What is likely to happen in practice will depend on the exact circumstances.

If the tenant who died was one of at least two, jointly liable under the terms of the agreement then the surviving parties are bound to satisfy those obligations.

If the sole tenant has died you may want to seek possession of the property before the end of the fixed term or establish if any party has obtained succession rights. If no will is made, it may pass to their next of kin.

That person may then

That person may then continue to live in the property under the terms of the existing tenancy until the landlord wishes to seek possession or the successor wishes to end the tenancy.

Dawn Sandoval MNAEA is an independent property consultant working in the Canary Wharf area – call 020 7093 1702. Every effort is made to ensure the accuracy of comments given. Individual cases must be studied by a solicitor. Email questions to newsdesk@wharf.co.uk.



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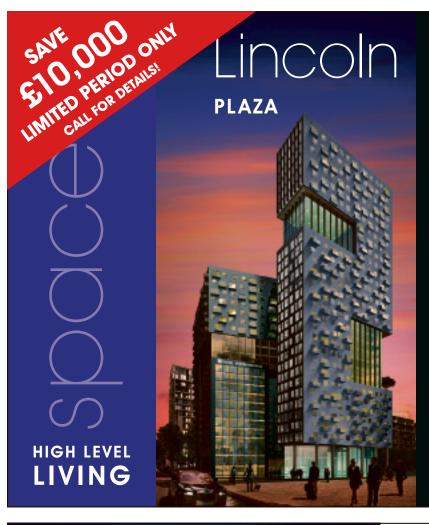
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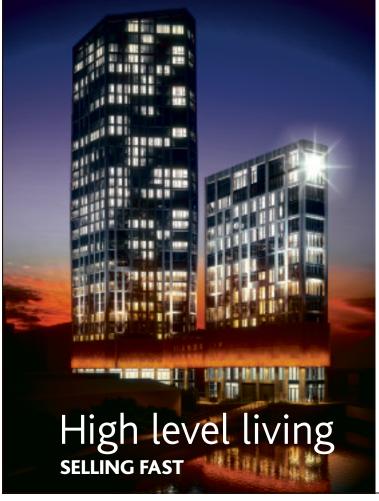
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- One hedroom
- · Canal Views
- · Luxury development

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£480,000 L/H Landmark East, E14

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- · 34th floor, 530sqft
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· Heron Quays DLR



Landmark East, E14

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- 11th floor, 807sqft
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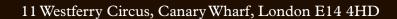
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Quayside House, E14

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Lymington Lodge, E14

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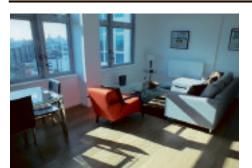
£325pw

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- · Impressive dock views
- · Balcony & Parking
- · Surrey Quays DLR

EPC - C

£350pw



IonaTower, E14

- Two bed, two bath
- · Concierge Service
- · Limehouse DLR



EPC - B

£265pw

EPC - C

- One bedroom
- · Balcony, river views
- 24hr concierge & gym



New Providence Wharf, E14 £380pw

- Blackwall DI R
 - EPC B



Landmark East, E14

- · Luxury apartment
- · One bedroom, 39th floor
- · 24hr concierge & gym
- Heron Quays DLR

EPC - C



Ability Place, E14

- Two bed, two bath
- Parking
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- · Balcony with river views Parking & Concierge



Berkeley Tower, E14

- Luxury Apartment
- Two bed, two bath
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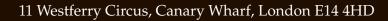
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Landmark, E14

One Bedroom Apartment

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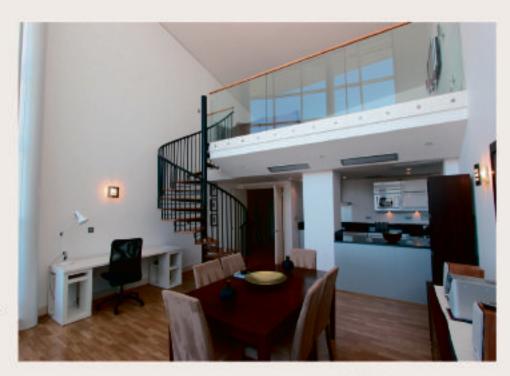
£425 per week

Orion Point, E14

Two Bedroom Apartment

This stunning duplex-penthouse apartment located at the top of Orion Point, The Odyssey. The apartment has been designed to exploit the virtues of natural light and space, with part openplan living areas, creating an apartment of great versatility. EPC Rating: G

- Floor-to-ceiling glass feature wall
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- Air conditioning
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- Spectacular views of the River, Canary Wharf and the City The property also boasts secured parking, 24 hour concierge, leisure facilities and is located within easy reach of the DLR

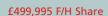


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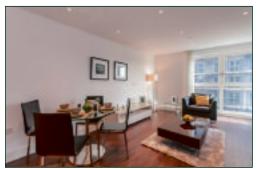


Limehouse Court, E14

£375,000 L/H

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residents' fitness suite. This stylish property is offered designer furnished and features underfloor heating and a private balcony.

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£500 pw The Heron, EC2

The Heron, EC2 £450 pw
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STANTON HOUSE, SE16

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£339,995

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WESTGATE APARTMENTS, E16 f329 995 Positioned next to the Excel Centre is this contemporary styled 2 double bedroom 2 bathroom ground floor apartment. This apartment includes secure parking, concierge and is within walking

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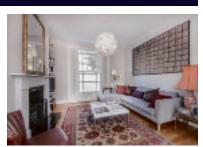


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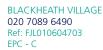


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one bedroom conversion on the first floor of an impressive detached Victorian house. Being within a fabulous location, offered for sale with a Share of Freehold and access to a exceptional rear garden.







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- £480,000
- Desirable development
- Secure parking
 - EPC B

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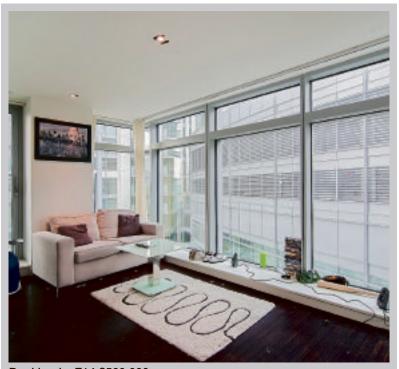
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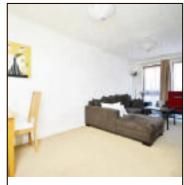
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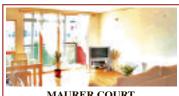
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